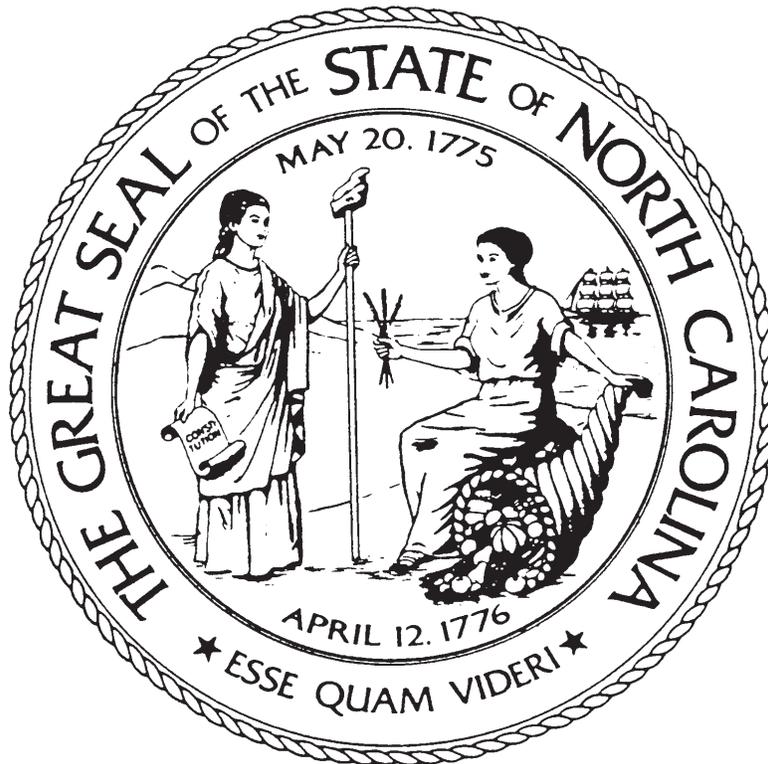


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The Industrial Commission and the International Workers' Compensation Foundation are jointly sponsoring an Educational Conference which is unique in North Carolina. The goal of this conference is to educate those who participate in the North Carolina workers' compensation system regarding current rules, procedures, policies and forms and to provide an opportunity for dialogue among these participants. The presenters are Commissioners, Deputy Commissioners, Section Heads of the Industrial Commission, plaintiff's and defense attorneys, physicians, chiropractors, physical therapists, insurance adjusters, medical and vocational rehabilitation specialists and mediators.

Breakout sessions will be utilized to discuss certain topics in specific detail for a more specialized view while other topics will be presented from a more general perspective.

Who Should Attend?

All employers, insurance adjusters, self-insurers, third party administrators, safety and human resource managers, plaintiff's and defense attorneys, paralegals, health care providers, mediators and medical and vocational rehabilitation providers are encouraged to attend. In fact, anyone interested in the workers' compensation system in North Carolina will receive valuable information at the conference. Group rates are available.

Continuing Education Credits

Participants may be eligible for continuing education credits for conference attendance. Application has been made for credits in the following occupations: attorneys (CLE), carriers (CE credit), rehabilitation providers (CEU for CRC, CDMS and CCM) and contact hours for COHNs and CRRNs. Credits are approved for Certified Workers' Compensation Professionals through Michigan State University.

Insurance adjusters should be aware that the requirement to attend the entire 3-day program in order to receive any credit is that of the Department of Insurance. For general information concerning licensing and CEU requirements for adjusters in North Carolina, please contact the Department of Insurance at (919) 807-6800.



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Registration on site begins at 10:00 a.m. The Conference Program begins at 1:00 p.m.

Monday, October 13, 2008:

General Session 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

- **Welcome/Opening Comments/Kids' Chance Scholarship Awards**
- **Creating and Maintaining Positive Workplace Expectations**
- **Chronic Pain: Management Challenges and Public Health and Safety Considerations**
- **Legal Ethics (1 CLE Ethics Hour)**

Reception from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Kids' Chance Silent Auction to 5:30 p.m.)

Tuesday, October 14, 2008:

Breakout Sessions 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Continental Breakfast 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

There will be four different sessions available, two in the morning and two in the afternoon. Each session will be held twice.

Morning Sessions: 9:00 a.m. – 10:20 a.m. and 10:40 a.m. – 12:00 noon

- **Musculoskeletal Ultrasound: Diagnosis and Treatment Guidelines**
- **Claims Compliance: New and Revised Forms**

Luncheon 12:00 noon – 1:20 p.m.

Afternoon Sessions: 1:20 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. and 2:50 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

- **Physical Therapy: Black Hole or Best First Choice**
- **Advantages of Vocational Rehabilitation**

Wednesday, October 15, 2008:

General Session 9:00 a.m. – 12:50 p.m.

Continental Breakfast 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

- **Industrial Commission Year in Review**
- **Noninvasive Treatment for Chronic Heel and Elbow Pain**
- **Mediation Update**
- **Partnering with Medical Providers**
- **Case Law Update**

Adjournment at 12:50 p.m.

Speaker biographies are available online at www.comp.state.nc.us

The Conference will be held at the Sheraton Imperial located in the Research Triangle Park. Conference rates are available until 9/12/08. Use exit 282, Page Road off Interstate 40. Toll free number is 1-800-325-3535 or you may dial direct, (919) 941-5050 or fax (919) 941-5156.

For further information contact the IWCF office at Tel: (386) 677-0041; Fax: (386) 677-0155; Email: IWCF@bellsouth.net; or International Workers' Compensation Foundation, 570 Memorial Circle, Suite 320, Ormond Beach, FL 32174.



CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM
THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL
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Complete, copy and return this form for each attendee along with a CHECK (Credit Cards Not Accepted) made payable to the IWCF (International Workers' Compensation Foundation) and mail to: IWCF, 570 Memorial Circle, Suite 320, Ormond Beach, Florida 32174 (NOTE: New Address).

Registration Fees: \$275.00 per person paid prior to or on 8/15/08 (early bird rate)
 \$300.00 per person paid prior to or on 9/15/08
 \$350.00 paid after 9/15/08

Groups of 10 or more from the same employer receive a \$50 per person reduction.

Registration fee includes conference materials and special functions, including two continental breakfasts, one evening reception and one luncheon.

Name: _____ Title: _____
(Please PRINT name as you wish it to appear on your name tag)

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ E-Mail: _____

Attorney CLE Bar #: _____ Paralegal #: _____

Adjuster CEU S.S. #: _____ (last 4 digits only)

Seeking CEU's for: CCM CRC CDMS Seeking contact hours: OHN

Area of Practice: Employer Employee Health & Safety Specialist Insurer TPA Attorney Mediator
 Paralegal Occup. Health Nurse Health Care Provider Medical Rehab Specialist Vocational Rehab Specialist

Other: _____

LODGING - A conference rate of \$119 single/double plus applicable taxes will be available to you at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel until 9/12/08, unless this block of rooms becomes fully reserved prior to this date, so register early! The Sheraton Imperial offers southern hospitality and a convenient location, just three miles from Raleigh Durham International Airport. Indicate you are attending the Thirteenth Annual North Carolina Workers' Compensation Educational Conference when calling to make your reservations. The Sheraton's toll free number is 1-800-325-3535 or you may dial direct, (919) 941-5050 or fax (919) 941-5156. The Sheraton Imperial is located in the Research Triangle Park, Durham. Use exit 282, Page Road off Interstate 40. Hotel reservations alone do not guarantee admission to the conference.

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS - Application will be made for CLE, Adjuster CEU's, CRC/CDMS/CCM credits and COHN/CRRN contact hours. Credits are approved for Certified Workers' Compensation Professionals through Michigan State University.

CANCELLATION REFUND POLICY - Cancellation of preregistration must be made before 5:00 pm on 10/3/08. Substitution of personnel is recommended in lieu of cancellation after that date. The full registration fee will be forfeited if you fail to attend or cancel timely.

SPECIAL NEEDS - Individuals attending the conference who may need auxiliary aids or special services are requested to provide notice of their needs in writing no later than 10 working days before the conference so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

DRESS CODE - Casual clothing is appropriate for all events.

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Net proceeds from this event, if any, go to the International Workers' Compensation Foundation (FEIN# 35-1737364), a non-profit organization to further its work in workers' compensation education and research.



SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

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- Silver: \$500.00 Contribution**
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- Gold: \$1,000.00 Contribution**
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Check level of sponsorship: Silver Gold

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Attention Exhibitors:

The exhibitor space for our conference is almost full. Please call IWCF directly at (386) 677-0041 to inquire about vendor space availability.

Kids' Chance of North Carolina (www.kidschancenc.org) invites all vendors to donate an item to be auctioned during the Wednesday Reception. All donations are tax deductible and donors will be recognized. For more information, please contact:

Martha Dealy, President - Kids' Chance at
(704) 246-9111 or email: martha.dealy@aimdmc.com

Paul Seguin, Executive Director - Kids' Chance at
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